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FRANKLIN L. RILEY.

Hurrygraphs.

The time for the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention comes apace, and what we do must be done quickly. The Mission Books close on the 20th of April. Golden moments, and golden opportunities invite us to attempt great things.

It is suggested that the Home Mission Board undertake to establish a Mission in Panama at no distant day. This will be a hard, but a very inviting field, which will, with the divine blessing, yield large results.

The new mission in the Argentine Republic seems to be opening very encouragingly. Certainly the Lord is enlarging the bounds of our tents, and we trust, strengthening our states. We have but to follow the divine leading and "sow beside all waters."

It has been estimated that with 1,000 as the average death rate, preachers only reach 556, farmers 631, agricultural laborers 701, carpenters 804, coal miners 891, brick layers 969; while brewers run to 1,361, saloon keepers 1,521 and bartenders 2,205. This shows that the litetime of liquor dealers is only about one-fourth of that of those who follow legitimate pursuits

Dr. F. C. McConnell reports a "tidal wave" of gracious influence sweeping over the Baptist churches of Kansas City, Mo. The Young People's meetings are well attended, and the services remarkably interesting. This is, as it should be. There are immense possibilities for our young people's work.

Dr. Exton thinks we ought to establish a Persian Mission. That while we send the gospel to the Pagan and Papal peoples we ought not to neglect the 200,000,000 Mohamedans. There is great force in this plea. The commission is "preach the gospel to every creature." Surely "the field is the world."

In common with the Methodists—Baptists of Great Britain have raised a Twentieth Century Educational Fund that now amounts to \$1,115,000. It is suggested by wise brethren that American Baptists raise a 20th Century Fund of say \$10,000,000, obtain control of the Columbian University at Washington D. C... and make it what the Baptists of this nation need as a representative school worthy of so great a people.

Dr. J. T. Christian of Chicago, thinks the management of the Divinity School of Chicago University wants to eliminate all that is wrong in that Institution and get in more direct line with the great denomination. We all ought to pray for this end.

The Baptist Mission Sunday school at Point Cadet, in Biloxi has enrolled 131 pupils in the last nine months They greatly need a house in which to work and worship.

The following from Dr. M Smith in his Religious Life of London," shows somehing of the relative attendance on heligious services in the different boroughs in that great city: "The total population of the five eastern boroughs is 919,-043, and the census gives the church attendance as follows: Men, 47,282; women, 61,301, children, 70,930. The atendances for the Church of England were 50,086, as against 81,816 for the Noncon ormists, exceeding, of course, the Roman Catholics and the Jews. Among the Free Churches the Congregationalists stand first with 24,223, the Baptists second with 8,686, and the Wesleyans third with 3,308.

J. B. SEARCY.

Two Testimonials.

These two letters by two thoroughly qualified Judges are given to our readers that they may understand better than ever before the merits of this book:

DR. Z. T. LEAVELL, JACKSON, MISS:

DEAR DR. LEAVELL: It gives me pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of two sets of, "A Complete History of Mississippi Baptists," by Z. T. Leavell and T. J. Bailey—one for my personal use and one for the library of the Department of Archives and History, for which Lenclose my check for \$6.00.

I wish to congratulate you upon the successful termination of this important undertaking. It is a valuable piece of historical literature which deals with a great civilizing and Christianizing influence which has been at work in Mississippi since early territorial days. While it is a history of a great church there lies intertwined much valuable information for the general historical student. With kindest regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,
DUNBAR ROWLAND, Director.
UNIVERSITY MISS., MARCH 10, 1904.
REV. Z. T. LEAVELL, JACKSON, MISS.

My DEAR BROTHER: I am just in receipt of a copy of your "Complete History of Mississippi Baptists," which you kindly sent to me. Please allow me to congratulate you with all my heart upon the successful termination of the difficult and arduous task which you undertook in the preparation of a complete history of Mississippi Baptists. I feel that the denomination is under great obligations to you

for this service. The widespread approval which has greeted its appearance is an earnest of the greater estimate of its value which will come with the lapse of time. Thanking you for your kindness, I am,

with regard and hearty best wishes, Yours very truly,

Louisiana Letter.

From week to week my heart is made to rejoice, as I note the continued blessing of the Master, upon the churches in Mississippi, as the news comes to me through your strong progressing conservative BAPTIST. The spirit of brotherly love, among the Mississippi Baptist ministry is an inspiration. Last summer during my vacation, I had the pleasure of meeting many of the pastors, and it was a joy to note this spirit. Then your zeal for missions is prompting many others to good works. Many pleasant memories come to me of the days of service I had with Pastors, Trotter, Williams and Yarborough. What a joy it was to serve with such choice spirits! His richest blessing be upon them and their noble people!

You asked for a line from my field, here in Louisiana. I find Ruston a charmi glittle city among the hills of North Louisiana. Its people are intelligent and progressive -the city is growing rapidly. Our church has nearlo 400 members-with over 400 in the Sunday school. We have had 25 additions-since I began work in November-with no special meetings. We find ourselves greatly in need of a larger house and steps are now being taken to build one, to seat at least 1,000 people. The Louisiana Industrial Institute with its 700 pupils, many of whom have never h ard a Baptist preach before coming here makes this an important church. The Institute is to be greatly enlarged this year, and it is thought that next session we will have more than 1,000 students in this

we may have to have some outside help to build the house that is needed here, but I shall not ask for it untikewe have done our best at home. I am hoping for \$1,000 for Missions this year, notwithsranding our building enterprise. The church has received me kindly and is treating me royally. The pastor and his wife have received many tokens of love and respect.

These Louisiana Baptists know how to treat their pastor. Last Sunday I had the pleasure of aiding in the ordination of two fine young ministers at Mt. Lebanon—Brethren M. A. Price and F. H. Loftin. These brethren will both enter the Seminary at Louisville next fall if He wills. Bro. Price gave up a splendid business position, with a salary of \$7,000 a year, that he might enter the ministry.

I hope soon to write you a news letter—without so much self.

Your friend and brother, W. Y. QUISENBERRY.

Southern Baptist Convention.

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Secretary in charge of Transportation. 509 S. Lawrence St., Montgomery, Ala.

If I Was Influential.

Yes, if I was influential, I would write three articles for publication. I would strike at the very heart of things. I would try to write in the Spirit of our Lord. Bu't I would call things by their right name. You have to do that sometimes so that people may know just what you mean. For the hunter to be successful, he must aim right at the mark. He does not want to shoot above, below, right or left, but straight. To whip the devil around the stump is, in my judgment, always a failure. I know we are all sinners, but we are not all guilty of the same kind of sins. I know we are all imperfect, but our imperfections are not seen from the same point of view. Yes, if I was influential I would write three articles, but I am not and there is no denying it. I believe I will tell you what I would write about. I would call attention with the very strongest language at my command in the first place to the fact that there are some things under which no church can afford to try to get

I do not understand how one can get his own consent, after coming up before the great congregation voluntarily and making a public profession of faith in Christ by putting him on in baptism which means (symbolically) the death and burial of the old man, the resurrection to new life of the new man. A complete change of masters. I believe the greatest thing in this world any one can do or ever will do is to publiely acknowledge Jesus Christ as his Lord. How one can get his consent after doing these things to go out and plunge up to his neck in cotton futures and make a few hundred, or lose what he and wife and children have made the year before. But he is in the amen corner Sunday morning, he looks well? he is dressed well, sings pretty well, and possibly prays apparently well, but he don't act well. He is a glaring contradiction to the whole church. He is a gambler, he knows it, the church knows it, the pastor knows it, the world knows it, and God knows it. But he is a member. He attends church regularly, he takes the bread and wine, the Lord's Supper. He is liberal, helps to support the church, pastor's salary, incidental expenses, missions, State, home and foreign. But he is a gambler. No gambler has a right to membership in a Baptist Church.

In the name of God what is to become of the (not the gambler) church that acts thus? Now, Bro. Editor, if I was influential I would write my first article along this line, and if I should offer any definition to the subject, I could but say that the fellow that wants the other fellow's money for nothing is what plain folks call a thief. I will tell you later what I would write on next.

W. S. CULPEPPER. Meridian, Miss., March 12, 1904.

The Prayer of the African Representative.

Some years ago Bro. B. H. Carroll, of Texas, in a sermon on Love related the fol-

lowing remarkable utterance of an African Negrol Bro. Carroll said: "Love vaunteth not itself. There is a principle of humility in it. I do not know how I can better illustrate this than by calling attention to what I regard as the sublimest utterance that ever fell from uninspired lips. Some years ago a quasi ecumenical Episcopal Convention was held in the city of London. Among the attendants upon that vast council there was a Negro, black as Egypt, with every distinctive mark of the African, but who was yet the Bishop of Hayti. Through the instrumentality of Dean Stanley this man was put up to preach in Westminster Abbey, to look out on the faces of royalty and nobility. Around him were the 'storied urn and animated bust' that perpetuated all the past glories of a thousand years of English history. Before him were jurists, theologians, generals, mighty statesmen who were shaking the world by the might of their council and their deeds. Rising before such an audience he took this, his own rendering, as a text, 'And the mother of James and John came to Jesus and said, Master let my son John have the place at thy right hand in thy kingdom, and let my other son, James, have the place at thy left hand in thy kingdom.' And the poor African closed the book and lifted up his hands in prayer and said, 'O God, who didst make of one blood all nations and didst fashion their hearts alike. let the sons of Shem that betrayed the Christ have the place at thy right hand; let the sons of Japheth that crucified the Christ have the place at thy left hand; but let the sons of Simon the Cyrenian, the African that bore his cross have a place at the outer gate where some of the heavenly light may fall on them and where from the footstool of God's throne they can look out Barthward on Ethiopia stretching out her dusky hands to God and see the children of that benighted country coming up to heaven and hear the sound of their voices as they seek the throne of God's mercy, and be the first to greet them at the portals of rest.' I affirm it here that not Burke nor Sheridan nor Pitt on their palmiest days of mighty oratory ever uttered before any court or in any forum such a specimen of sublime and unapproachable eloquence as that man uttered from the principle of love in his heart, the love that did not vaunt itself, did not seek for the highest place in the synagogue, the love that was willing to take the lowest place."

While meditating on this prayer of the African my heart swells with emotion and my eyes fill with tears. Dear reader, read it again and think and meditate upon it, then cut it out of the paper and put it in your scrap book for reference, for you may never read the like again.

I affirm that some of the most humble yet some of the most eloquent utterances I have ever heard have fallen from the lips of African Negro preachers, and could the many such utterances have been caught and put in permanent form, their publication would be a blessing to many. I am debtor to Christian Negroes for the en-

couragement and comfort received from them, and may the God of all grace bless them and may their future be illumined with the light of His love.

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O. D. Bowen. Ellisville, Miss., March 12th, 1904

Houston, Texas.

BRETHREN OF MISSISSIPPI :- We are now in a meeting with the Liberty Avenue Bap tist Church of this city. We held a great meeting here two vears ago. We have been here only four days. The meeting is by far superior to the other meetings up to this time. The crowds are larger, the singing better, and the Spirit of the Lord seems to be at work with freedom. Large numbers are seeking the Lord and conversions every night. Many of them are men. We are praying and looking for the Lord to save from fifty to one hundred on Sunday. Last Sunday a new Baptist Church was organized in Houston. Dr. J. B. Gam brell was here and acted as moderator. Houston now has nine white Baptist churches. We have raised debts from these churches in the last ninety days. have met quite a number of Mississippi folks here already. I enjoy preaching to them they are the salt of the earth. The Lord has again blessed me with a sweet soul singer to aid me in my work I see that my old associate and friend, Bro. J. A. Brown is in Mississippi. He is the salt of the earth and you will all find it out if he remains with you long. They don't give any better men nor sweeter singers than Brown.

Love to old Mississippi. It is good to be able to hold meetings with churches over and over again.

SIDNEY J. WILLIAMS.

The Stage Given up to Frivolity and Frills.

When Roscius was an actor in Rome, when Shakespeare trod the London boards, in the days of good Queen Bess, and down to a quarter of a century ago the business of the theatre was to hold the mirror up to nature. All the human passions, all that makes life real and serious, was the theme of the dramatic author, and to portray it with mimic art was the concern of the actor.

But the stage is rapidly ceasing to por tray human emotion and the realities of life. The plain people are still devoted to the melodrama, in which, after passing through many thrilling vicissitudes, virtue is rewarded and wrongdoing meets with due retribution. But almost the only thing which pays upon the stage is what is called musical comedy, or, more prop erly, musical farce in which there is no plot, no story, nothing that the mind can rest on, but only the merest trash in text, a lot of dancing arranged especially to display female hosiery and lingerie, and some topical songs filled with local gags. This and vaudeville or variety shows, are the chies theatrical attractions today.

Several writers in the British press, and quoted in the London Fortnightly Review for February, deplore the decline into the merest trivialities of what was a grand stage in the British metropolis. "Mr. John Hare, writing to the Times says:

feel that now indeed is the time when those interested in the future of the higher drama (and I suppose there are a small minority of the public so interested) may anxiously inquire if some drastic measures cannot be taken to arrest its decay in this country. I noticed that the Era, a theatrical newspaper presumed to exist for promoting the interests of the drama,' a leading article this week advocates the astounding theory that the only duty of the manager is to make 'both ends meet,' and that it is his duty, not to 'stuff the public' with what they do not want, but give them only what they do. It is clear enough what the public wantsmusical comedy, musical comedy, and again musical comedy-and they get it! From Temple Bar to Charing Cross there not one single theatre that is not devoted to keeping alight the 'sacred lamp. The beautiful building designed by private enterprise as the home of English opera has been converted into a music hall, and the Lyceum, which for twenty years upheld the noblest traditions of the British drama, is to be relegated to the same fate. These are grim facts which give us pause. and make one ask if nothing can be doneto rescue our stage from being submerged in frivolity." Mr. W. L. Courtenay, the editor of the

Fortnightly, says on the subject: "The evil complained of is both deep, and wide. The drama is suffering just as literature is suffering, or as public life is suffering, and even society. The evil is an impatience of continuous attention, of serious thought, any hitch in our ease, our luxuries, or our indulgences. We are all afflicted with sort of tarantula of restlessness, which makes us skip from one pleasant spot to the next, without quietly enjoying anyone in peace. We hurry from one crush to the next, glance at one 'short story' after another, drop in' to see the new acrobat, a short dance, or a lovely 'feerie' smoke a cigarette, and arrange a party for tomorrow. The people who will sit steadily through three hours of an intellectual drama, without 'stars,' gorgeous robes, or nauseous sensations, is really very limi-

Many more distinguished writers, artists and thinkers recognize the decay of the stage and cry out for some remedy. But they are able to suggest nothing better than Government or municipal support of theatres where high-class plays and grand opera are produced. This is done in all the large cities of Continental Europe, and the subsidized establishments are required to present only the best works.

This is considered hopeless in England, and it is impossible in the United States. The theatres are not of enough use to the Republican Party, or else they might be supported as are the protected manufacturers, but for the present the encouragement of the drama is left to the people.

The theatrical managers know what th people pay for, and the people pay only for what they want. Plainly they want frivolity and silk tights, and they are going to get that. Occasionally some manager is daring enough to present a real drama which requires real acting in the high-priced houses, but commonly female frills and frivolity fill the seats most profitably, and if one has sentimental suscepti bilities and demands emotional expressions linked to a connected story and a logical plot, he must patronize the excellent stock companies that cater to the plain people who still have hearts and cherish enthusiasm.

The struggle to present grand opera in the United States is yearly becoming more strenuous and difficult. It is like the Shakespearean play. It is too serious; it requires too much attention and it destroys all opportunity for conversation when people have no other object but to talk and to show themselves.

Perhaps there will be a reaction in time. Frivolity will finally pall on the wholly frivolous, and perhaps they may demand a change. But it is not likely to come soon.—Picayunc.

Stinginess.

Using a figure of Sam Jones, Lofton says: "A stingy man in heaven, would have to use his pants for a pillow."

He says further: "The poorest wretch in eternity will be the man who had the most and gave the least to God,"

"Covetousness" is entwined with "stinginess," and God calls it "Idolatry;" and with these within, consuming the heart's life, there is left little room for ought else. Indeed, God flees away, for He plays no second fiddle. He must be first. The iniquity of "idolatry" must be done away.

Somebody said: "Honor the Lord with thy substance and with the first fruits of thine increase;" and the Bible says more about money than about baptism, and in this, we discover who are happiest: "The liberal soul shall be made fat." "It is more blessed to give than to receive." "There is that scattereth and yet increaseth." "God loves a cheerful giver." One has said: "There is not a more damnable sin than ignorance of, or, opposi tion to, the great commission of Christ:' and his language about covers the ground for such sin is the sin of rebellion-rebellion against mercy-against love! J. E. PHILLIPS

George Washington at Fort Necessity.

"It was strange that in a savage forest of Pennsylvania, a young Virginia officer should fire a shot and waken up a war which was to last for sixty years, which was to cover his own country and pass into Europe, to cost France her American colonies, to sever ours from us and create the great Western republic; to rage over the Old World when extinguished in the new; and, of all the myriads engaged in the vast contest, to leave the prize of the greatest fame with him who struck the first blow!"—Thackeray in The Virginians.

Interesting Facts as to Foreign Missions.

BOOKS CLOSE APRIL 30TH.

It is well for all of our pastors and churches to remember that in less than six weeks our Foreign Mission Books close for this Convention year. All the funds which are intended to be sent in for this year, must reach Richmond by Saturday night, April 30th. Every year somebody sends funds which get here after the 30th of April, and writes saying, "I hope this will be counted on this Convention year." It is counted on the convention year on which it is received, but that means the year after the writer intended. What reaches Richmond by the 30th is counted on that year. Please let all pastors and churches remember this.

TAKING THE COLLECTION.

· Along with the above fact, remember another that if your church sends a good collection, it should be taken at once, in case it has not already been taken. Earnest prayer should be made and the cause faithfully presented to the people, and then they should be called on to give. Each and every member should have the privilege of giving something. We want a larger number of contributors, as well as larger contributions. Tens of thousands of our people even yet give nothing for Foreign Missions. What noble blessings would come not only to those in heathen lands, but in our own land, if only our people would do what God has told them to do. Let those of us who believe His Word, urge implicit obedience to the comand of our once crucified, but now risen and ascended Lord. The day of His resurrection, He said to His disciples, "As the Father has sent Me, so I send you." The day of His ascension. He promised His Holy Spirit, and along with the gift of that Spirit, He said we "should have power, and be witnesses unto Him to the uttermost part of the earth." If our people have a few weeks to gather their contribution, they will give more than when told to give without any preparation in heart, mind and pocket-book. It is well to let them subscribe beforehand, with the privilege of paying a few weeks later. Hence the advisability of taking the subscription in your church at once.

LEADERS-PASTORS AND OTHERS.

In every great collection, as in every great movement, somebody must lead. The pastor is the God appointed leader, and he should not only teach the people to give, but lead them in giving-not necessarily contributing the largest amount, but surely contributing freely in proportion to what he has. The people know whether he is in earnest or not, and he may preach all the year abounding love to God, and deny all that he has said in the contribution he makes, when the time comes to give. Oftentimes some consecrated man or woman sends an inspiration throughout the church by a noble, liberal gift. We have seen where a church gave two or three times as much as asked for, by a liberal giver making a noble con- wrong, if we cannot get the men and wo-

tribution, which thrilled the hearts of all present. We praise God for those churches which have one or more liberal leaders in them. You can go throughout the bounds of our convention, and take church after church, which has made a noble advance, and easily find that there is some earnest, consecrated soul, which has led the people of God to higher, holier things.

RECEIPTS,

We give below the amounts, which have been received the 1st of May, 1903, to the 15th of March, 1904 Notice and see whether your State will come up to the amount which the delegates from your State to the Convention in Savannah last year, promised to try to raise this year. The receipts are as follows:

Georgia	\$21,368	11	
Virginia	17,562		
Kentucky	12,835	36	
South Carolina	12,847	88	
Alabama	9,750	32	
Missouri	9,407		
North Carolina	9 375		
Tennessee	9,105	10	
Mississippi	6,048	84	
Texas	3,961	80	
Louisiana	2,283	17	
Maryland	2,012	77	
Arkansas	1,850	09 .	
Florida	1,313	56	
District Columbia	615	75	
Oklahoma	393	03	
Indian Territory	257	43	
Other Sources	2,067	55	

REPORTS GLORIOUS.

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The reports, which are coming from our Mission fields, are glorious. All of these reports for last year have not been received as yet, but enough have come in for us to say to the brethren, that we will have cause for praise and thanksgiving to God when we meet in Nashville. The Board will have some glorious news to tell to the brotherhood of the advance of the Lord's host on the foreign field. We would be glad to give some of the facts here, but think it best to wait until we make the report at the Convention in Nashville.

TROUBLE IN THE MIDST OF JOY.

One cause of trouble in the midst of all of our joy is that with the glorious advance, and the missionaries pleading for workers to help them press forward, we cannot get enough men and women to send out. We have presented this subject in conventions, through the papers, and in conformity to the instructions of Christ, we have prayed to the Lord to thrust forth laborers into the fields white to the harvest, but somehow it seems that we cannot get enough men and women. Does not the Lord want some of our successful young pastors to give up .the work here and go to the foreign fields? We ask that preachers and people pray over the matter. With the open doors, wonderful opportunities, the churches giving the means to send out workers, surely something is

men to go. May the Spirit of God come upon mothers and fathers, making them not only willing but glad to send their children, and upon the churches, so that if they have strong, consecrated pastors, they will be willing to send them to those who need the Word of Life. May God show us our duty, and give us grace to perform it.

LITERATURE.

The Board has on hand a large supply of literature, which we will gladly send to any pastor or church, which wants the same. All that is necessary is to drop a postal-card to the Corresponding Secretary at Richmond, and the literature will be returned free by the next mail.

PRAYER FOR THE CONVENTION.

We expect soon to meet in Nashville to confer together about the Lord's work. It has been a blessed year for Seminary, Sunday-school Board, State, Home and Foreign Missions. There has been healthy development and constant growth, but even with this development and growth, comes the important question of yet greater enlargement, lengthening our cords and strengthening our stakes. For this we need great wisdom and grace. Let us pray beforehand for our Convention in Nashville, and then meet there with thanksgiving, and at the same time, with earnest hearts, looking to God to guide us in strengthening and enlarging the work which He has committed to us. May the coming Convention be pre-eminently one ot joyful praise, earnest prayer and wise planning for the advancement of our Redeemer's Kingdom, and as we thus praise. pray and plan, surely our Heavenly Father will stand in our midst to guide and

R. J. WILLINGHAM, Cor Sec'y.

An Acknowledgement.

I wish to acknowledge through THE BAPTIST the receipt of two dollars from an unknown sister of Pachuta, Miss., to the building of Fentress church. The party sending failed to sign their name which I regret very much, and I would be glad that the party sending would forward name.

May the God of heaven bless and prosper them, that they may go forward in the great work they have begun

F. R. BURNEY.

People will follow the confident leader. Speak to the people out of a full heart and mind that which you know to be true. If you really do not know anything that you are sure of, get out of the ministry and go to planting potatoes, or seek any useful occupation. The minister must have a message, a confident, whole-souled message. Imagine the angels singing, "Behold I bring you some tidings which I shall now attempt to prove to you are good though there are many conscientious angels who doubt it!" . Speak to the people the glorious tidings in a glorious tone, with a glorious manner, and see them go forward. The Leader.

To Former Pupils and Patrons of Blue Mountain Female College.

Our President and Secretary have each recently spent two days in St. Louis and have closed exceedingly satisfactory arrangements for Blue Mountain Female College World's Fair Headquarters at Beautiful Parkland Place." We have an elegant new brick building, with modern conveniences, in walking distance of the grounds but surrounded by four street car lines leading to the Fair Grounds and to the city. While we think that our building will be kept well filled with present and former pupils cour school, and members of their families, we may be able to take care of a number of our triends and theirs. If not, we expect to have some one of our faculty at our building all the time from June 7th to Sept. 7th and shall be delighted to assist our friends in getting located. There are six other nice brick buildings in the same group with ours. and many can get accommodations here. However, we believe that thousands of people will go to St. Louis during the Fair and be compelled to return home without having found a resting place for their heads. Therefore, every one who expects to go should arrange in advance for accommodations. To those whom we can take, we will give much more liberal terms than some others are offering. For those whom we cannot take ourselves, we will try to get satisfactory places on reasonable terms. However, the earlier, the engagements the better it will be.

Whatever your situation, if you want to go to St. Louis during the Fair write us. If we can help you, we will do it with pleasure. If not, we shall try to do you no harm. It our present or former pupils or patrons have friends whom they would like to recommend to our building, we shall be pleased to consider their applica-

LOWREY & BERRY. Blue Mountain, Miss., March 21, 1904.

In another column will be found a very timely and sensible article from the edito rial columns of the Picayune, on "The Stage Given Up to Frivo ities and Frills." It is a rebuke to all Christian Leople, that a great secular paper stands up and con lemns what so many church memlers allow, both in theory and practice. In an age like this, when worldliness and commercialism are clamoring for dominancy, loyalty to Christ and wisdom in conducting his business cry out loudly to Christian people to throw their influence against these pernicious, low-flung stage plays so common now in the land. There is no doubt in the mind of any thoughtful person, that there is in the modern theatre a far greater tendency to evil than to good. Even granting that there are some good, elevating plays, there are so many that are evil until the sum total of evil is far greater than the sum total of good. To put it mildly, the safe thing is to abstain from the theatregoing habit There seems to be no doubt that the theatre is clearly on the world's side of the line. Of course it is a question

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for each Christian to settle for himself and before his God, as to how far he can risk running with the world.

Dr. H. L. Morehouse, Corresponding Secretary of the Home Mission Society, h is returned from a recent trip to Cuba and Porto R co, inspecting the Society's new interest on these Islands. A short while before Dr. B. D. Gray, corresponding secretary of the Home Board, had completed his tour among the various mission stations on the island of Cuba. It is very gratifying to note the fact that these brethren received the same impression as to the outlook of mission work in Cuba. They are much encouraged and their en- toy balloon in his stomach to keep him couragement will serve as ours. There from sinking. The duck has only two legs should be much earnest prayer and 'aith- and they are set so far back on his running ful effort to strengthen our Home Mis sion work. April is the month in which our largest collections are taken for this

The meeting in the 2nd Baptist Church t is city, is now in its third week. It has been a great meeting. Nearly 50 additions and the church greatly revived. Bro. McComb has done some of his best preach-

ing and Pastor Price has given him some of the best help a pastor ever gave a helping brother. And Prof. Duncan las contributed very largely in the music. We hope in our next issue to give a more extended account of the meeting.

An Essay on Ducks.

A schoolboy in Jewell City, Mo., was assigned to prepare an essay on the subject of "Ducks," and this is what he wrote. "The duck is a low, heavy set bird, composed mostly of meat and teathers. He's a mighty poor singer, having a hoarse voice caused by getting so many frogs in his neck. He likes the water and c: r ies a gears by nature that she came purty near missing his body. Some ducks when they get big have curls on their tails and are called drakes. Drakes don't have to set or hatch, but just loaf, go swimming and eat. It I was to be a duck I'd rather be a drake every time."-Ex.

So act as to treat humanity, whether in thine own person or in that of any other, in every case as an end withal, and never as a means only.-Immanuel Kant.

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The Meaning of the Divine Birth.

There is some reason for fearing that the observance of Christmas, which makes it a festival of the childhood of Jesus, may tend to obscure in the popular thought the real significance of the birth of Christ and the true import of His relationship to men. For Jesus is not a child, and His childhood, which was only an incident of His earthly life, does not interpret His place in history of His mission. We only apprehend the meaning of the birth at Bethlehem while we look at it from the point of view or the Prologue to the Fourth Gospel, and regard Christmas not as the Festival of Childhood, but as the Festival of the Incarnation. The point is not that a babe was born in Bethlehem who became a wonderful, or even a Godfilled man, but that "the Word was made flesh;" that in Jesus the Eternal and the · very image of His substance, upholding all things by the word of His power."

We could ill spare the delicate and mighty story of the first two chapters Luke's Gospel. No narrative in all literature has been such an inspiration to artand poetry as those two chapters. They have glorified childhood and thrown a new and holy light about the mystery of of the motherhood, but they are absolutely incidental to the Gospel narrative. Two of the Evangelists do not allude to those incidents. Their place in the New Testament is entirely subsidiary to the main current of its teachings. The important thing is not the circumstances of the birth of Jesus, but the fact of the Virgin Birth. Throughout the entire period of s youth only a single incident is recorded. The important and vital thing in the New Testament is that this Jesus was the Son of God in a unique sense, that He was "God manifest in the flesh."

There is a Hegelian method of interpreting the incarnation with which we do not in the least, sympathize, and in a reaction from this type of Hegelianism some conservative religious thinkers are failing to give a just emphasis to the incarnation itself. The early church was not in error when it took its stand against the philosophies and speculations of men upon the great truth underlying the Athanasian creed. The early church saw that the heart of Christianity was the nature of Jesus. If the great assertions with which the Fourth Gospel opens are not to be believed, and if the view of the nature of Jesus which the Fourth Gospel maintains, cannot be accepted, the claims of Jesus to a unique obedience and trust, and to the absolute and final lordship of human lives, are indefinitely weakened.

Every great truth of the Christian religion radiates from the incarnation. The Christology of the theologian is absolutely determinative of his processes and conclusions. And there has been no greater revolution and advance in modern Christian thought than that which makes theology Christocentric.

People everywhere today are looking for a revival of religion, and are asking what is the great truth that should be empha-Still, this quaint and ancient edifice, arouses

sized in our times. There is no doubt about the answer. The truth for our use is the majestic sequence of the incarnation—that Jesus Christ is the rightful and absolute Lord of human life, of the human heart and intellect ond will and conscience. There is no such thing as a Republic of God; there is a Kingdom of God, and Jesus Christ, is its absolute sovereign.

The answer to the question that meets one on every hand, "What is the truth for our age?" is the Christmas story—not the stories of childhood or mother-hood, beautiful as they are, but the story of the incarnation—that Christ is the Lord of human life, and that He has claims upon men as fundamental as the constitution of their own souls, nay, as fundamental as the constitution of the universe. And when the ministers of Christ steep their thoughts in the Fourth Gospel, and preach the Son of God there revealed they will not lack response from the hearts that Christ Himself has made.—Watchman

Palestine on the Pacific.

BY E. H. RYDALL.

PART II.

The old ruins of the missions will furnish a substitute for the ancient remains of historic cities in Palestine. The best preserved of these is Santa Barbara Mission by the sea s'de and San Gabriel Mission, some ten miles to the east of Los Angeles; every devout visitor to California will inspect these magnificent edifices, the best preserved of twenty-two colleclections of ruins that are located all the way from San Diego to San Francisco seven hundred miles north Most of them are but picturesque heaps of ruins, of interest only to the historian and artist; but all lend a halo to the district that serves the purpose of attracting tourists and several are in actual use for ecclesiastical purposes. At San Gabriel a venerable priest, who preaches upon alternate Sundays in English and Spanish to the dark skinned inhabitants of the vicinity, will attend the Methodist visitors and expatiate upon the ancient oil pictures that hang in the church and have been worshipped for several generations by savages and Mexicans. Quiet, isolated, peaceful, the same yesterday, today and forever, the church and its cloisters stand, once the center of power, but now the shrine of the faithful and the object of interests to thousand of cultivated people who come to see all there is new and strange in this land of the afternoon. The old bells from Spain still ring out the Angelus and the matins, but no longer the dark naked savages assemble from the fields and prostrate themselves before the holy father; no longer the banner of the Virgin is raised and the sins of the wretched neophytes are forgiven; the Mexican woman in her reboso saunters quietly in, the peon sits upon the wellworn low benches and the rush of the electric car past the door tells of the advent of a new regime that is probably as much for the glory of man as the glory of God.

in the thoughtful and devout mind a train of reflections, the memory of which will exist long after the wastes and barren mountains of Southern California have been left behind.

This is the land of the palm, the olive and the fig tree, all familiar to writers of the Sacred Book. Everything is inferior to Old Palestine; the palms yield no dates. but are merely used for ornamental purposes; the figs are vastly inferior to the famed figs of Smyrna and the olive industry is comparatively a failure; but the everlasting sunshine is here; here also are the fleas in multiplied numbers enjoying tresh ment as every tourist will swear they do in Old Palestine; and here are the Jews, controlling the marts of trade and as ever setting an example to the nations of the peaceful effects of continued commerce. Here are the Greeks also, as evidenced by the Turkish stores that dot the thoroughtares of Los Angeles and vend the merchandize of Araby to the ever-staring tourist of wealth, who is continually spending his money, as Americans do in the Holy Land.

Who are the Japanese?

Naturally at this time Japan and the Japanese are attracting world-wide attention.

The idea is that Japan is a small country with a considerable population, but that the people are small in stature and are beset by the ordinary characteristics of Orientals who in all matters of modern progress and enterprise are inferior to the white races of the Western world. A little information on the subject will not be out of place.

The fact remains that Japan is not a small country, and the Japanese are not an inferior or weak people in spirit, courage, and intelligence. Japan is an island empire, and there are, in the main islands that constitute the country, some 42,000,-000 Japanese. The empire of Japan contains about 150,000 square miles, or about one-quarter more area than England, Scotland and Wales. In other words, the Japanese empire is considerably larger than Great Britain, and contains about 10,000,000 more people. The empire is fortunate in being an island realm, so that it cannot be attacked except from the sea. This, in view of its powerful navy, probably superior to that of Russia. gives it a tremendous advantage in a warwith the Northern empire. Again, it is so close to the Asiatic continent that it could land its troops in Korea or Siberia much more rapidly than Russia could march them overland or transport them on the Siberian Railway. Again the 42,000,000 are more closely knit by national ties, by loyalty, and patriotism and zeal, than any equal number of people on the ace of the globe. In this respect they resemble ancient Sparta, the Dutch in Europe, and the magnificently heroic Boers.

The Japanese have never before been engaged in a war with Europeans, but it is well known that the Japanese army is not only of considerable size, but that its disci-

pline and equipment are fully equal to that of the French or German forces. The present standing army of Japan is something like 650,000,000 troops, approaching in size the army of either France or Germany. In addition to this, the available forces of Japan would be many times this number. as every male Japanese above fourteen would eagerly rush to war either to defend the empire or to attack its assailants. for the people are extremely patriotic. The only time the Japanese were ever in the field with European troops was in the march on Peking during the Boxer war in China, and then they made a first class record. In modern warfare great masses or solid columns of troops moving to at tack are no longer the rule. The farreaching firearms have greatly changed the positions of troops in action.-New Orleans Picayune

Bro. Mitchell's Field.

A few lines may not be amiss from our part of the State. My field of labor this year is Arborgrove, Cumberland, Hohen lenden and Wakeforest! I have been serv ing Arborgrove about nine years, it is a good church in a locality where it is calculated to do great good. Though small numerically they pay their pastor's salary promptly and give from \$25 to \$40 per year for missions and other benevolent purposes. Cumberland is one of the old est villages in this part of the country, is situated 7 miles from the Southern Rail road, 11/2 from the G. & C. Railroad, has a fine graded school presided over by W. M. Dalton, one of the best educators in the State; he is a staunch Baptist, does us good service in the church. Our church outlook at Cumberlard is favorable.

Hohenlenden is one of the busiest towns in the State to it's size. It is small but does lots of business. It is surrounded by a fine farming country. The church at this place is young but doing well Wakeforest is one of the oldest churches in this part of the country. It was here when I first preached as pastor 22 years ago. The G. & C. Railroad runs by this church and it is highly probable that there will be a depot here, it so we will have to commence lengthening our cords and strengthening our states. We are hopeful of all this work. Brothers E. E. Thoornton, A. C. Ball, T. H. Middleton, A. B. Hicks, T. H. Wilson, and J. L. Phelps are our neighbor pastors and they are all doing well. Bro. Thornton is at Houston getting his work fairly in hand. They have two new Rail roads at Houston, which has given new life to the town, quite a number of people flowing into it. This bids fair to be one of the leading towns of the State. And the Baptist people need a new house of worship and in a different place altogether to where it is. They really got the right man for this work when they got Bro. Thornton, he really is a church building pastor, but I believe that we, the Baptist of the State at large, ought not to leave all this work on Bro. T. and his church at Houston. I think for the State Board to supplement his salary and put all his time in that town would be wise, that it would be money well spent. It would really help the cause in coming yers. However I must say before I am done with this that what I have said is unsolicited by Bro. T. or his people.

Social Distinctions.

suppose what would apply to the Christians at Rome, will apply to all Christians at the present time. Paul in writing to them said, "Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly (or liberal) love; in honor preferring one another!" To carry out this injunction we shall have to place ourselves, not higher in our estimation than we do other Christians, but at least a little lower. One may love another sincerely and still maintain a common level with him. But when he begins to prefer another, and to esteem others better than himself (Phil. 2:3) he places himself, in his own esteem, on a lower plane than his brother.

The above injunctions seem to be coextensive with the family of God, and apply to every member of that family, teaching us that since the Father makes no distinctions between His children, and Christ the elder brother makes none, that we, the weakest, and the least worthy of all the family circle should not draw lines of distinction, and voluntarily place ourselves above our brethren, or withdraw ourselves from them, and deport ourselves toward them in such a way as to say, "I am holier than thou."

Both the Father and the Elder Brother possess inherent goodness, and inherent righteousness, while there is no good thing in us only as it is imparted as an unmerited gift by God; and yet we assume more than do either of them.

more than do either of them. Jesus became the guest of publicans and sinners, and caused the Pharisees to regard His conduct with holy horror. He. the Mighty God, and the spotless One did this, and drew no social lines. But we? boasting of a borrowed righteousness, presume, on occasion, to even cut the acquaintance of a brother or sister, on no other grounds than that they do not belong to "our set." I am very thoroughly of the opinion, that any set of professing Christians, who, for social, financial or any other reason, voluntarily separates, themselves from a part of the household of taith, needs to learn the a be of Christianity, and do some very hearty repent-W. I. HARGIS.

Leading Sinners to Christ.

It was my pleasure to preach at Damascus Church, near Hazlehurst, last fall. And while there I enjoyed the hospitality of Bro. W. P. Reynolds, one of the members of that church.

In his parlor, nicely framed, is a life size photograph of Father A. A. Lomax. "Yes," I said, "you have the old man eloquent, I see." Then Bro. Reynolds remarked, "That brings to mind the story of my conversion, which is on this wise: Several years ago when Bro. Lomax was living at Hazlehurst and Bro. Thigpen was

holding a meeting at Damascus, Bro. Lomax came up one afternoon, and Bro. Thigpen asked Bro. Lomax to talk to the people, which he did, not taking any text, but simply telling how the grace of God came to his own heart and how good the Lord had been to him in all those years;" and it was that same afternoon at old Damascus Church that the light broke in on Bro. Reynolds' heart, and now some fifteen years have swept by and Bro. Reynolds is still a usefal member and a happy Christian, and when he comes from the field after a drink of water, he often goes into the room where the picture is hanging and takes a good look at the man who lead him to Christ.

It has been over twenty years ago since the Lord found me, and that night's experience is as fresh as the dew. Bro. Leavell was holding a meeting at Clinton and at the close of the meeting, Bro. Rowe lead a great company of boys down into the watery grave. I write to some of them now, and they tell me of their recollection of how Chastain, Cooper, Knight, Boone, Collins, Bryant, and many others wept as they took us by the hand in fellowship. Three of that happy crowd who were joyfully received into the Clinton Church that night have gone to join the alumni beyond the sky-Branch, Cannon and Bethea-all oright and promising. I look through a glass darkly as to their going so early. If it is sweet to remember the spot and the time of our conversion, and the one who lead us to Christ, how sweet shall the meeting be when life's fever is over.

I. H L.

We call the attention of our renders this week to the fact that J. W. Patton, of this city, bought out the interest of Mr. White in the music business formerly known as Patton & White, some time ago, and will continue same at their old stand in this city. Mr. Patton was the original owner of this business before Mr. White entered it, and is thoroughly acquainted with all its details as well as the wants and requirements of his friends and patrons. We can say without fear of ever having to retract the statement that Mr. Patton will never leave anything undone which will please those who trade with him. We herefore bespeak for him a goodly share of the patronage of our readers. When wanting anything in the music line write to him for catalogues and prices.

The number of crimes committed by the highly educated is an alarming feature of the situation. The list of defaulting bookkeepers, bank tellers, clerks and college graduates constantly lengthens, reflecting a lurid light upon the theories of those who attempt to account for the origin of all sin, vice and crime by ignorance. Those who attribute all crime to intem are also silenced, since many prevalent crimes are incompatible with that vice, for they require the keenest intellects, the most condentrated attention. It is noteworthy, also, that representatives of the clerical, the legal and the medical professions are furnishing an increasing number of crimes of dish mesty, violence and pollution of domestic life.-James M. Buckley, in the Cen-

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March and April.

March and April are months of much solicitude for the welfare of our Home and Foreign Mission interests. This is so because these are the final months of the fiscal year with these Boards. These, too, are months in which the hands and heart of our Secretaries are very full. They need prayer and help, because their positions carry with them so much responsibility. If they shall receive in full measure the former, they shall not be short in the latter, because the latter unfailingly follows the former.

We see the statement in the Examiner that wif the recepts for fast March this year equal those of March, plus \$20,000 extra, there will be no deficit when the books close April 1," So it really looks as though the Missionary Union will go up to Cleveland in May without a deficit. It so, we shall rejoice with our northern brethren. In the meantime, let every Southern Baptist seriously ask himself, if there remains anything he can do, to land our mission work in good shape. Each one of us needs to feel personal obligation in carrying out the commission of our Lord. Surely we are willing, if not even anxious, to bear some humble part in the evangelization of the word We shall all feel happy, if at Nashville we can feel that we have done our duty. Let us resolve now to be noble, marily, Christly, in performing our part, whether it be large or

Dr. Gray had planned to spend ten days in Mississippi in the interest of Home Missions, but the severe illness of his wife prevented the execution of this plan. Now he must depend entirely on the pastors and the lalance of us on the field. It is confidently believed that we will not fail him. Let Mississippi and Jackson especially remember the Home Board. The assaults which have been made on the Board by the uninformed constitute another reason for greater activity among the friends of the Board. We are glad to state to our readers that Mrs Gray is convalescing.

Notes and Comments.

Bro. T. J. Miley of Taylorsville, seems to be doing well in his new field. He is a good preacher and an incessant worker. All his churches are growing in their mission work.

Sister R. E. Foster writes: "Our church formerly known as Hays Baptist Church, was blown down on 13th inst. We had only had services in it one year, it being a

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Glennie Hollingsworth to Rev. Louis Franklin Gregory, on Wednesday evening at 9 o'clock, April 6th, 1904, at the Baptist Church, Hollandale, Miss.

The Word and Way is authority for the announcement that at Nashville an invitation will be extended by Kansas City for the Southern Baptist Convention in 1905. Kansas City would get a strong vote.

Bro. W. R Whitesides writes very encouragingly of the work in Booneville, under the leadership of Dr. G. M. Savage. Indeed we have never heard of so much encouragement on every hand. Sarely the Lord is good to us.

Our young and brilliant brother Landrum P. Leavell, his wife and Brother James have gone abroad on a trip to Jerusalem and other points. We wish for this fortunate trio of young Mississippians a safe voyage and profitable trip.

We learn through Capt. J. T. Buck who has recently made a visit to Meridian that the First Church has just closed a series of good meetings. Dr. Gross of Selma, Ala., assisted Dr. Venable. Several new members were received and the church strengthened otherwise.

From what we can hear, the churches are getting in earnest about missions. Last Sunday Leaf River gave \$45.00 for Foreign Missions, and Booneville \$61.00. There is great hope of reaching the guage we have set for ourselves, if we do not be come weary in well-doing.

We notice from The Recorder that the Walnut Street Church, Louisville, Ky., will renew its invitation for the Southern Baptist Convention to meet with it in May 1905. This would be a good place to meet, but Louisville is rather close to Nashville, the meeting place for this year.

A short while ago we had an inquiry from a brother whose name we do not now remember concerning Evangelist Geo. Robert Carins. We stated at the time we did not know his whereabouts. We see from some of our exchanges that he hasbecome pastor of the North Church, Seattle Washington. His father has for some time been in Seattle, and it is barely possible that the papers may have the two con-

Rev. W. E. Hathorn, now a Seminary student, will locate on his return about middle of June, temporarily at 1 ast, at Clinton. He will be open to work, either in protracted meetings or in the pastorate. He is among the best in either place. He has been a success in both places, and is now better equipped than ever for his life-

The Summer Conferences of the Young People's Missionary Movement are officially announced as tellows: the Western Conference at Winona Lake, Indiana, June 17-26, the Southern Conference at Lookout Mountain, Tenn., July 1-10, and the Northern Conference at Silver Bay on Lake George, N. Y., July 22-31.

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We learn from the Baptist and Reflector that after all that has been said and done, Rev. Martin Ball has re-considered the matter and has finally decided not to go to Macon, Miss., but to remain at Springfield, Tenn. We are personally disappointed, as we were much pleased when the announcement was made that he would come to Mississipppi.

As announced in our last issue Rev. J. R. Farish, of Meridian, has been appointed missionary colporteur by the Chickasahay association, to labor within its bounds. Bro, Farish is sound, earnest and industrious. He has a good record in the line of organizing and building up churches and erecting church buildings. He is well known and will be cordially received in his work. He is a great success n selling good books.

Southern Baptist Convention.

This body meets in its 49th sesssion at Nashville on Friday, May 13th, 1904, and will therefore embrace the 3rd Sunday in May instead of the 2nd, as usual.

The Baptist Young People's Union and the American Baptist Education Society will meet Thursday May 12th, in the First Baptist Church.

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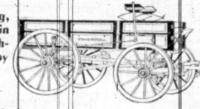
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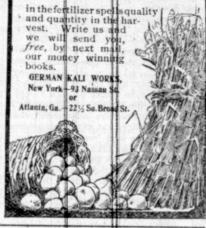
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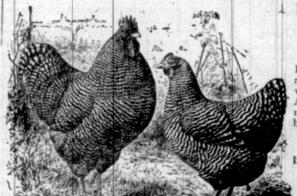
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Mrs. Margaret S. James.

At the residence of her daughter, Mrs M. Aven, at Pontocola. Miss., Mrs. Margaret S. James, March 14th, 1904, age 73 years.

Mrs. Ada Brumfield Bates.

On Thursday, March 17, 1994, Mrs. Ada Brumfield Bates, wife of Bro. B. B. Bates, passed away after a few hours illness. She was a member of East Fork Church, and was a fine young woman, being only 21 years old. Two years ago she graduated from the Gillsburg school, Our deepest sympathy goes out to the young husband and her brothers and sisters. The Lord be gracious to them T. C. SCHILLING.

A. V. Rowe Roper

Avie, the infant daughter of Rev. W A. Roper and wife, of Meridian, Miss. was called from earth to heaven on No vember 19, 1903. Her stay on arth was only sixteen months, but full of love and sunshine.

Now we think of one who in her infan beauty died,

The fair, meek blossom that grew and faded by our side

In the cold moist earth we laid her when the forest cast the leaf. And wept that one so lovely

a life so brief. We are pained because we know that young babe of ours, So gentle and so beautiful, should rerish

Son and Father.

with the flowers.

Brother T. L. Creed was born March 15, 1854, and died near Porterville, Kemper county, Miss., February 3, 1904, of September 14, 1826, and from the home of the deceased son he followed him i death of the same disease, February &

Both of these brethren were faithful members of Friendship Baptist Church. They spent the greater portion of their lives in the community of this church. zens, and carnest, consistent and loval church members. They greatly appreciated their pastor, and loved to attend have him frequently in their home. The memory of their consistent, unobtrusiv lives will linger with their bre hren and friends for many years to come. The loved ones mourn not as those who have no hope, but trust that they shall be re united in the "sweet bye and bye."

J. D. Cook, their pastor.

S. L. Herring

Mr S. L. Herring, who lived about four miles from Raymond, Miss, died at his "Forest Home" on March 9, 1904. He was born here October 12, 1839, and lived for more than sixty-for years in was serving as a soldier in the Confederate army or in a prison of the Federal afforded from its use.

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Brother Herring became a Christian a few years ago and joined the Raymond Baptist Church, but was never well enough afterwards to be baptized.

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Mrs F. C. Byrd, wife of Mr. L. H. Byrd, of Hamburg, Miss., died at her ome in Hamburg on March 11, 1904. Sister Byrd was born December 23, 1863. She became a Christian at about ourteen years old and was baptized, by Rev. R H. Purser, into the fellowship of A tioch Church about 1876. She was married by Rev G. M. Farmer to Mr. L. H. Byrd on February 4. 1885. Sister him perfectly honorable in all business Byrd was from the Prichard family, one transactions and financially able to carry of the best in the State, C. A. Prichard, out any obligations made, by their firm her brother, is now chancery clerk of Franklin county.

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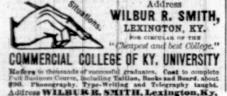
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Program. March 1904.

Subject:—Italy.
"In due season, we shall reap if

faint not. 1. The 111th Psalm, to be read alter

2. Thanksgiving for all God's good ess, making mention of the truth as i

"A Review of Progress" by Dr. E

4. Ways of Helping Missions-Prayer Matt. 9:37, 38; 2 Cor. 1:11; Preaching, Mark 3:14; Sustaining, 1 Cor. 9:14. he reward of sharing in missions Fruit eternal, John 4:36; Fruit propor tionate, 2 Cor. 9:6; Our Lord's commenation, Matt. 25:23.

5. Keynote of Short Talk by Leader: I see no business in life but the work of Christ, neither do I desire any employ ment in all eternity, but His service."-Henry Martyn.

7. Extracts from Leaflets-"Italy and

the Gospel" by Dr. Whittinghill. 8. Letters from "Tourists" to Italy who are to be appointed at least two weeks before the meeting to make an more I have." naginary trip and write to the Society egarding various points of interest.

Business, etc.: Apprint Comm tee to distribute envelopes for "Specia Offerings for Home Missions" through out the church if this has not alread een done, also arrange for observan of the Week of Prayer.

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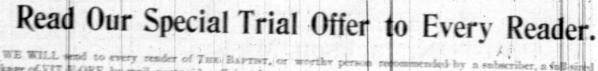
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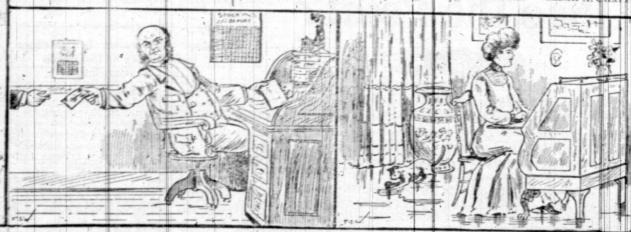
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